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My Redeemer.

My Redeemer is a fountain
In a desert waste and drear,
Where the fiery, sandy ocean,
Spreads around me far and near,
With the hearts of failing mortals
In their anguish sinking low.
Till they reach the springing verdure
Where the saving waters flow.

And the stream is ever flowing,
Undiminished for an hour,
Unaffected by the changes,
Whether heat, or cold, or shower;
Ever flowing for the thirsty,
Or who wills to God to cry,
Who are pressed by earth and heaven
Here to drink and not to die.

I adore Thee, great Redeemer,
And my ransomed spirit glows
While I dwell on blood-bought mercy,
Bleeding, dying for thy foes;
And I'd show by faith and actions
How my heart yields up with joy,
Unto Thee its dearest treasures,
Thine to use or to destroy.

—*G. E. Trowbridge.*

From Bear Creek, Ohio.

On Saturday, the 12th of May, I came down to the Valley and met with the Bear Creek church in business meeting capacity. Every thing passed off smoothly and in love. After this meeting was over, the Sister's Society of Christian Endeavor met and held a session; enrolled four new members and transacted other business. The officers are, President, Susan Forest; Vice President, M. Lizzie Beeghly; Secretary, Clara Musselman; Treasurer, Lizzie Hill. They meet once a month, and we hope they will be a power for good in the church and general Brotherhood.

On Sunday, 13th, was a busy day for me. Attended Sabbath school at 9:30, and preached at 10:30 a. m. Went to Dayton and preached at 3 p. m. Baptized 7 persons in the historic Wolte Creek, at 5 p. m., held consecration services at Bro. Protsman's at 6 p. m., returned to Bear Creek and preached at 7:30 p. m. Thus one full day's work was done. Our congregations were all large. This was especially so at the water. At Bear Creek in the evening we received one dear sister by relation, in Dayton, and we hope to receive some soon, by relation and also by baptism, at Bear Creek.

The work in the Valley is in a prosperous condition so far as I can see.

On the 23rd of June we expect to hold communion services at Bear Creek, and the probability is, that the Dayton Brethren will come out *en mass* and that we will hold a grand joint communion meeting which is a thing we look forward to with joyful anticipations. We will hold a few meetings during the week prior to this communion service and all the Brethren who live within reach, and all who live at a distance are heartily invited to be with us at any or all of these meetings.

I feel like extending my congratulations away across the Rockies, to our friends at Lathrop, for the revival there. Had a letter from Bro. Frederick a few days ago. He feels good over the result at Lathrop, and among other things tells me that sister Clara, his good wife (the adjective is mine) has 100 little turkeys and another 100 in prospect, and a corresponding number of chickies. This is all very fortunate.

Brethren Beer, Bashor and Holsinger, from the "States" as well as Brethren Wolfe, Plummer and others, of the "slope" are all liable to visit at the hospitable home of Bro. Frederick, and the reader can guess the rest.

I also see in the EVANGELIST that Bro. Frederick is offering some choice lands for sale. I wish I was in shape to go and buy one of his 40 acre lots. I know from actual sight and personal observation that the country about Ripon is very nice and good, and I can also assure any person who may feel an interest in the matter that whatever representations Bro. Frederick may make, are strictly correct. But I have rambled away off from Bear Creek. Well, I am a man of strong attachment, and ask forbearance.

P. J. BROWN.

Nat. Mil. Home, Ohio.

Another Postal Card From W. E. Monett.

Allen Cumb., Co., Pa., May 7, 1888. Please explain the 10th verse of the eleventh chapter of first Corinthians.

Answer: The verse reads as follows: "For this cause ought the woman have power on *her* head because of the angels." "Woman was created for the man." See verse 9. "For this cause." Woman should not be shorn or shaven for by so doing she would destroy the token (sign) of her headship in man (natural) and hence lose her *power* and *dishonor* the *angels* The sister praying or prophesying should have her head covered (veiled) with an artifical covering, and by so doing she shows her headship spiritually (in Christ) and does not dishonor her head.

If my answer is not satisfactory please ask again.

Will Mr. W. E. Monett, of Allen Cumb., Co., P., please answer the following questions through the BRETHREN EVANGELIST, and oblige.

1st. What is the legally, or properly adopted name of the church of which you now are, or have been a member?

2nd. Do you ask those questions in sincerity for information or in order to criticise?

3rd. Scripturally what should constitute the covering (artifical) for the sisterhood?

4th. What is the power (token) (or sign) of woman's natural headship in man?

Please answer and oblige.

J. B. WAMPLER.

Blanco, Pa.

Downsville, Md.

May 12.—At our last business meeting we elected three deacons. Bros. Joseph Mullen, Dr. V. M. Richard and the writer. We made arrangements for our State Convention to be held on the 19, and to continue till Tuesday evening, and to end with a love feast. We now again extend a hearty invitation to all to attend, especially the ministers.

We will then look after the interest of the College. We truly must not fail to work hard enough to hold the College. I do hope and pray that all the Brethren and Sisters will take a slight interest in the welfare of the Brethren church which we so dearly love, and that means to sustain the College. I spoke to a poor brother this noon, and he said he was poor. But he will donate ten dollars. So will I, and hope a great number more will. Now if poor brethren can raise ten dollars to save the College, how much will the rich do? I do hope all will work hard till the first of June to clear up the debt on the College. Will report what we can do ere long.

Now for the working of our church. Bro. Jerrold closed his meetings here with 5 additions on last Sunday a week. We baptized 3 from his meeting near Tilghmantown, on last Sunday one more was baptized, and this afternoon one more will join with us by baptism. *

Mt. Zion, Pa.

Mount Zion church is moving onward; we have come to stay, thank God. We have come up through great tribulation, and were opposed by the socalled people of God. We are founded on the rock Christ Jesus, therefore the gates of hell cannot prevail against us.

We have prayer and social meetings every two weeks and preaching every four weeks, by Bro. Stephen Hildebrand. Bro. Hildebrand preached for us on the 6th, from Mathew 6:20, "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven." At the closing an invitation was given when two young ladies came out on the Lord's side, to walk in new life, and in accordance with the command of Christ they were baptized. May they ever prove faithful as good soldiers of the cross and thereby gain a crown in the kingdom of heaven.

We are traveling Zionward and by the grace of God we hope to meet at the top.

W. F. MURRAY.

Stauffer, Pa., May 9, 1888.

From Lanark, Ill.

The work in Northern Illinois is advancing as rapidly as we can expect. The brethren and sisters at Lanark have organized a Sunday School with the following officers. Supt., W. H. Herrington; Asst., C. P. Puterbaugh; Sect., Anna Dubell; Treasurer, David Dubell. Bro. Will Herrington takes charge of the singing. Last Sunday was our first meeting since organizing with 33 present.

Since our last report one united with us at Lanark. May she be a valuable accession to the Brethren church and may the Brethren church prove to her a religious home of lasting benefit.

Z. T. LIVENGOOD.

Faith.

Let us look at the faith of Abraham when the Lord told him to offer up his son Isaac as a burnt offering. O! what faith Abraham must have had, to offer his son whom he loved dearly, yet he had that faith in God which says, "Not my will but Thine be done." What an affecting scene it must have been to see old Abraham with his silvery locks and his son Isaac just in the prime of life wending their way up the mountain, to offer a sacrifice unto God.

Then when Isaac asked the old man the question, "Father, where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" It must have have required a great deal of faith to suppress the sorrow of the old man's heart to think his dear son must be the lamb to be offered. Yet did he not flinch nor turn back, for he knew if it was God's will that it should be so he would give him strength to help him through. But this was only God's plan of testing Abraham's faith, for when he raised the knife a voice called unto him and said. Abraham turn thee and thou wilt find a ram fast in a bush, go slay it and offer it as a burnt sacrifice. So you see how his faith was rewarded, and Isaac was spared.

Sometimes it seems as if God gives us almost more than we are able to bear, and we think he has forsaken us; yet it may be his plan to test our faith and our knowledge of him. For an illustration: A railroad company wishes to hire an engineer, and a a man applies for the situation. The company would test that man thoroughly to see if he understood engineering perfectly, before they would trust him with their trains loaded with human freight. So it is with God. He wishes to test us before we ake charge of the important work he has laid out for us to do: That of saving precious souls from the paths of wickedness and sin, by telling them of Jesus, the mighty Savior of mankind.

If we stand the test and prove to be the right kind of material, he will use us in that building, not made with hands. Look at the faith of Moses while leading the children of Israel out of Egypt. When they were in the wilderness without food, he prayed God to send them food, and there was a kind of food called manna rained from heaven. And when the children of Israel were pursued by Pharaoh how Moses stretched out his rod over the sea, and it was divided, and stood as it were in great walls on either side of them while they passed through on dry ground. But when their pursuers were in the midst of the sea Moses stretched forth his rod again and the waters came together again and their pursuers were all drowned.

After all the faith Moses had in God he committed some great sin in the sight of God, for which he was allowed to see the promised land but not enter it. What strong faith the three Hebrew children showed when cast in the fiery furnace. They knew their God could deliver them. When the king came to look in the furnace he said instead of three young men I see four, and the fourth is like unto the Son of God. And the king commanded them to come forth, and they came without so much as the smell of fire on their garments. Their faith was rewarded.

When king Nebuchadnezzar sent out his decree that no one should pray to any God but to his idols, for the space of one week under the penalty of death. Daniel continued his supplications to his God, (the true and living God,) every morning knowing that He was able and willing to save and take care of him. The king on learning that Daniel continued to pray to his God, commanded that he should be cast into the den of lions, that they might devour him: but the God in whom Daniel had such implicit faith closed the lions' mouths. The king passed a very sad and sleepless night and went early the next morning to the lion's den, and when he called Daniel's name, was surprised to find him alive and not hurt. He commanded that Daniel should be taken out and those who found fault with him should be cast into it and they were quickly devoured, because they put not their trust in God, but in idols. Sinners, can you still have no faith in God? Can you not trust the God that Daniel trusted? Like the apostle Paul of old though he suffered imprisonment and shipwreck many times, and received many stripes and was cast out of the city for dead, yet his faith grew stronger all the while.

This is the faith we should have. Sinner, won't you ask God to give *you* more of this faith? Ask yourselves these questions: Have I faith enough in Christ Jesus to believe he can save me? If I have am I doing my duty to my own soul and to those of others by not serving him? Am I casting my influence for good or for evil? Christ says, "to him that overcometh I will give a crown of righteousness." Hoping that you will consider these questions carefully and prayerfully, I remain your brother in Christ.

WM. P. COBAUGH.

Fourth Week in May.

Gentle Spring has now come in good earnest, radiant with sunny skies and balmy with flowers. But Gentle Spring is a treacherous beauty. She makes us believe the sun is as powerful as in midsummer. We toss away our overcoats and wraps too soon, and lay aside our heavy underclothes, because we think Summer has come. Instead of summer there comes an army of Spring diseases. We are attacked by Billiousness, bowel disorders and a dozen other ailments which might have been avoided.

The nextquestion is how to get rid of these Spring ailments, and to purify the blood; and to put the system in prime order for summer.

Instead of trying to find out some new way, try an old one; a way which by study use for over 40 years, has proved the very best. No unpleasant dosing with nauseous medicines, but simply taking a delightful draught of the most sparkling effervescent beverage in existence. This is Tarrant's Seltzer Aperient, the best Spring medicine in the world. It purifies the blood of all the winter accumulations. It helps the liver to do its work thoroughly. It puts new life and vigor into the languid system, and prepare you for the enjoyment of a joyful summer. Tarrant's Selzer Aperient is for sale by all druggists.